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I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled SPRING CLIP SAFETY IV CATHETER, the specification of which is attached hereto unless the following is checked:

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Prior Foreign Application(s)

Application Number	Country	Filing Date (day/month/year)	Priority Claimed
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Application Number	Filing Date	Patented/Pending/Abandoned
10/445,166	05/23/2003	Pending
09/638,641	08/14/2000	Patented
09/183,697	10/30/1998	Patented
09/097,170	06/12/1998	Patented
08/915,148	08/20/1997	Abandoned

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